

# Molybdenum complexes derived from 2-hydroxy-5-nitrobenzaldehyde and benzhydrazide as potential oxidation catalysts and semiconductors (Supporting Information)

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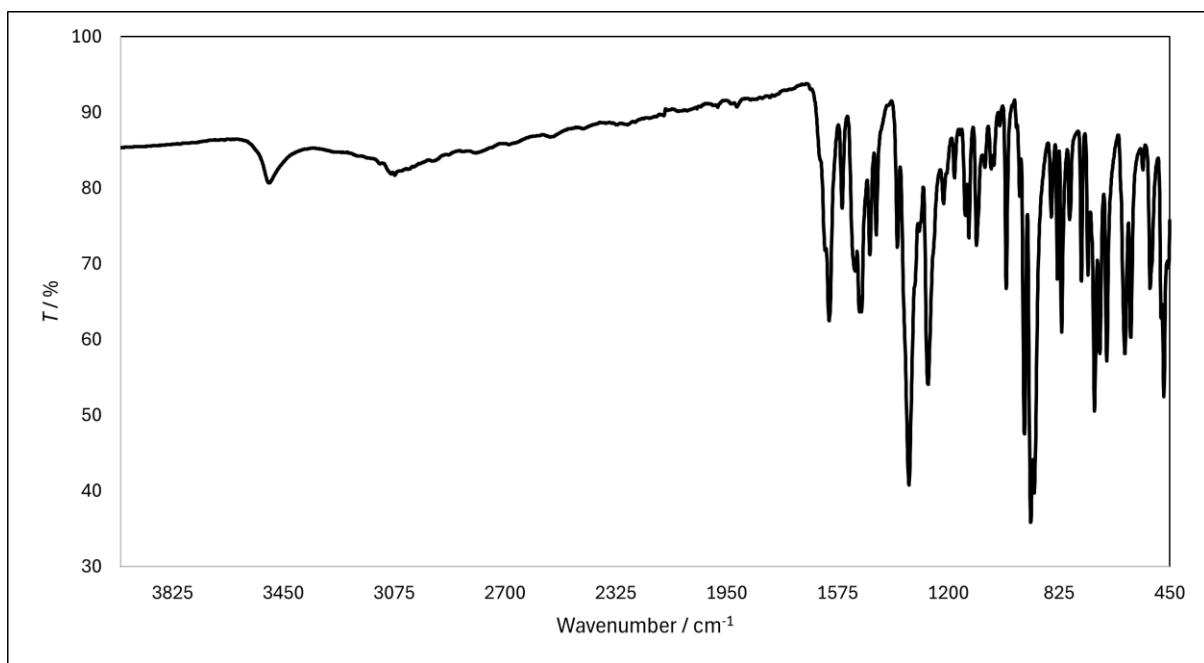


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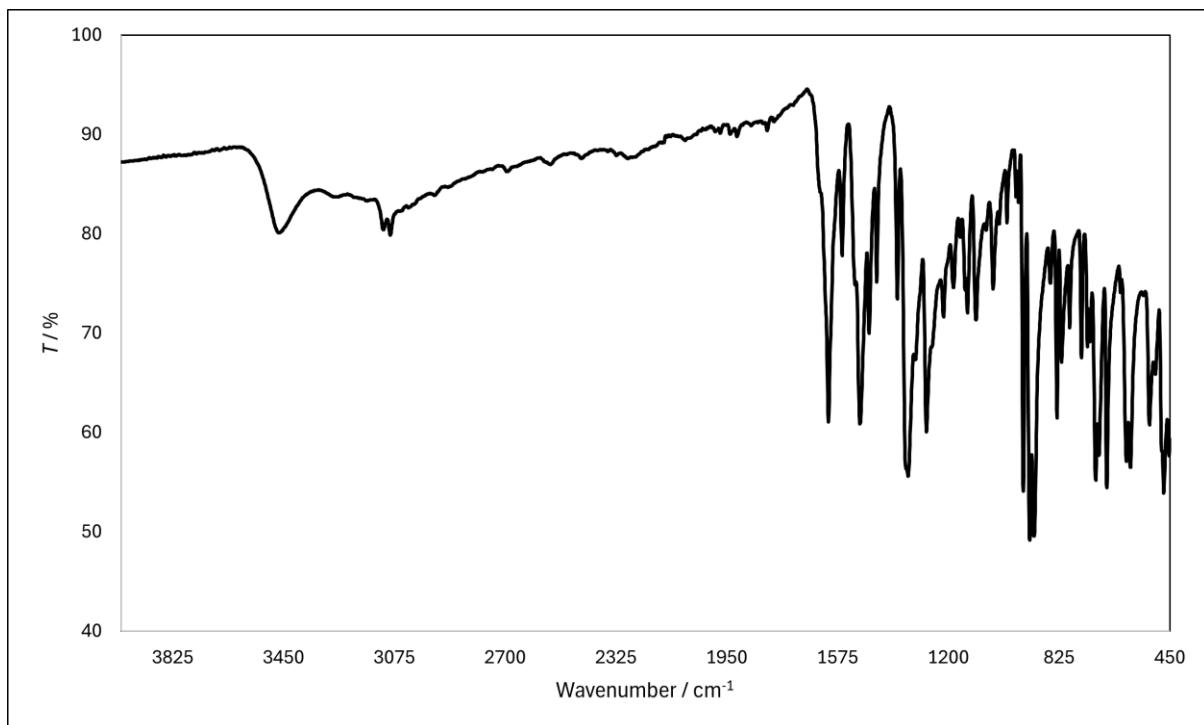


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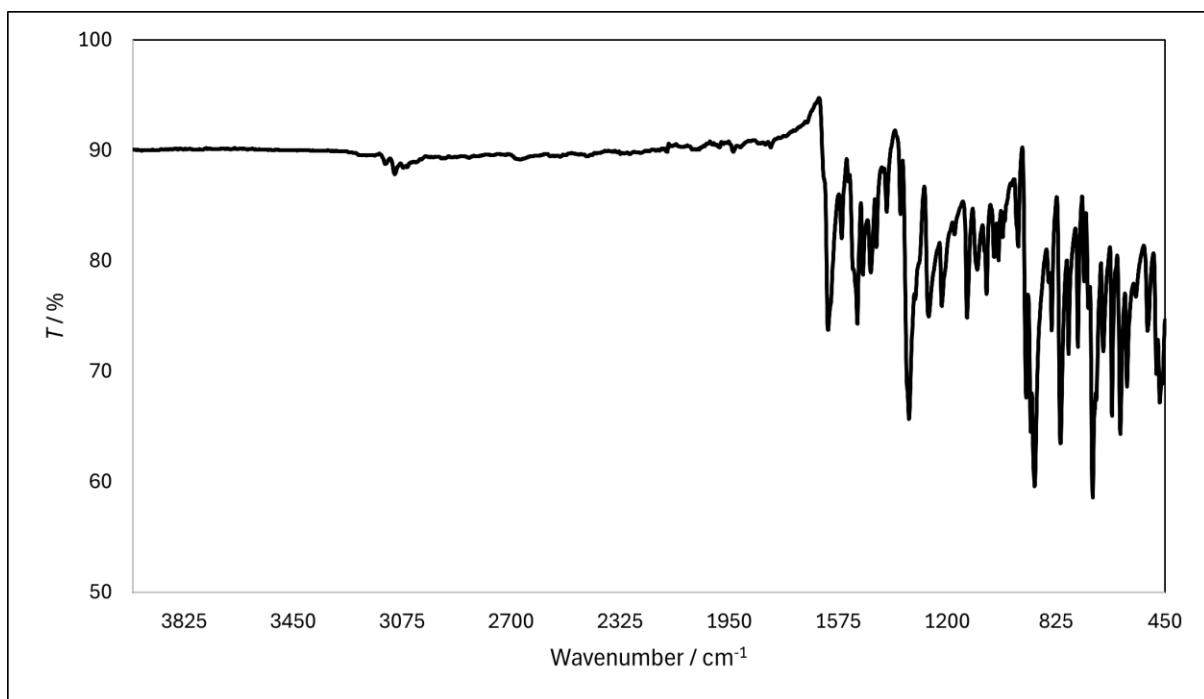


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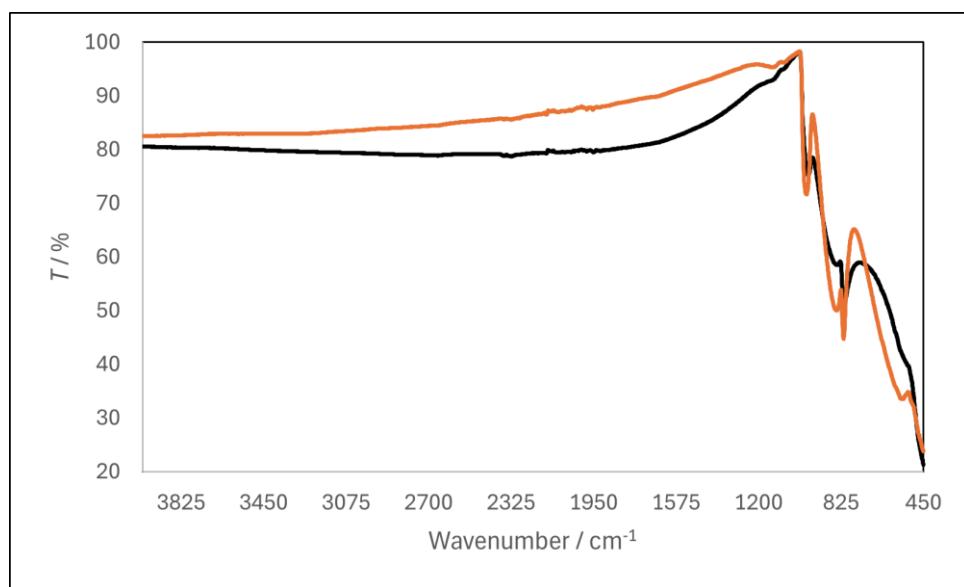


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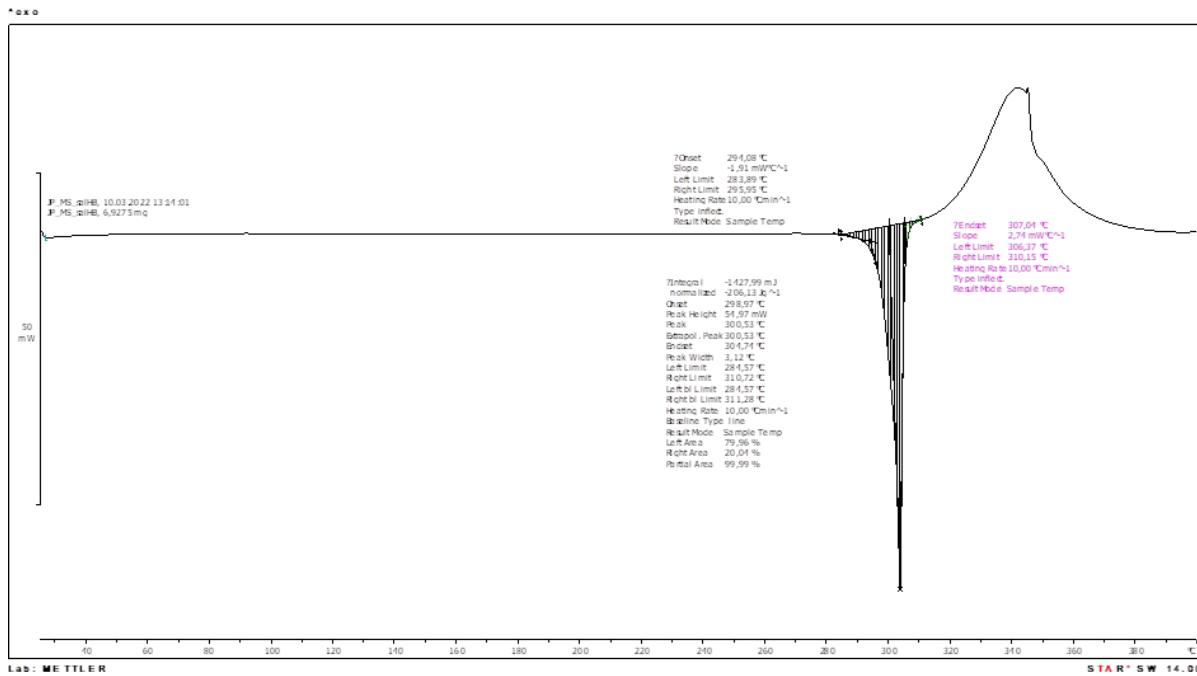


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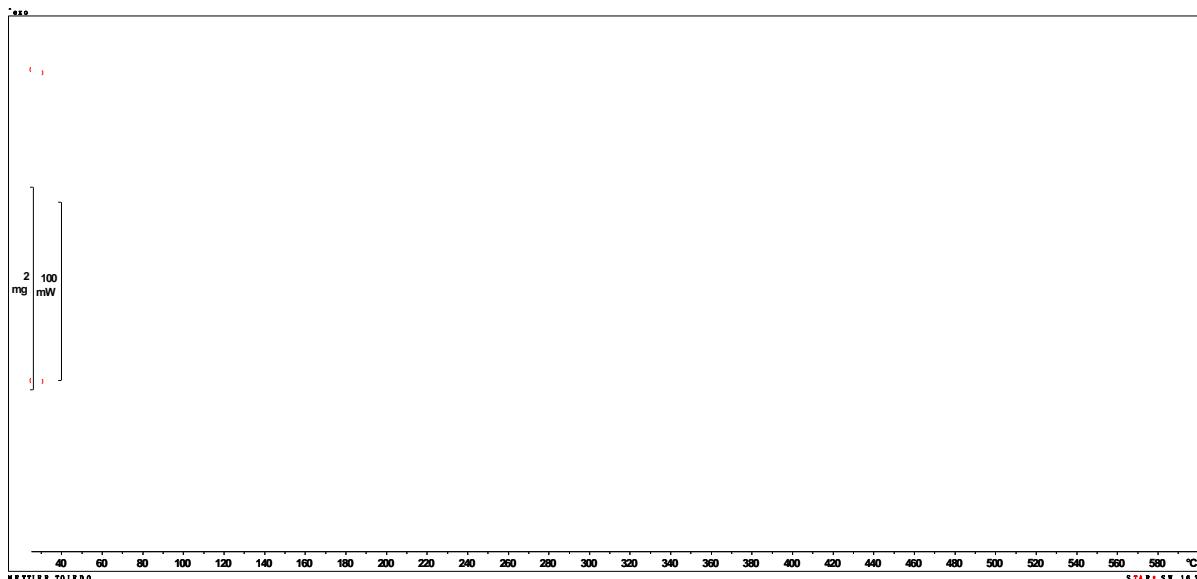


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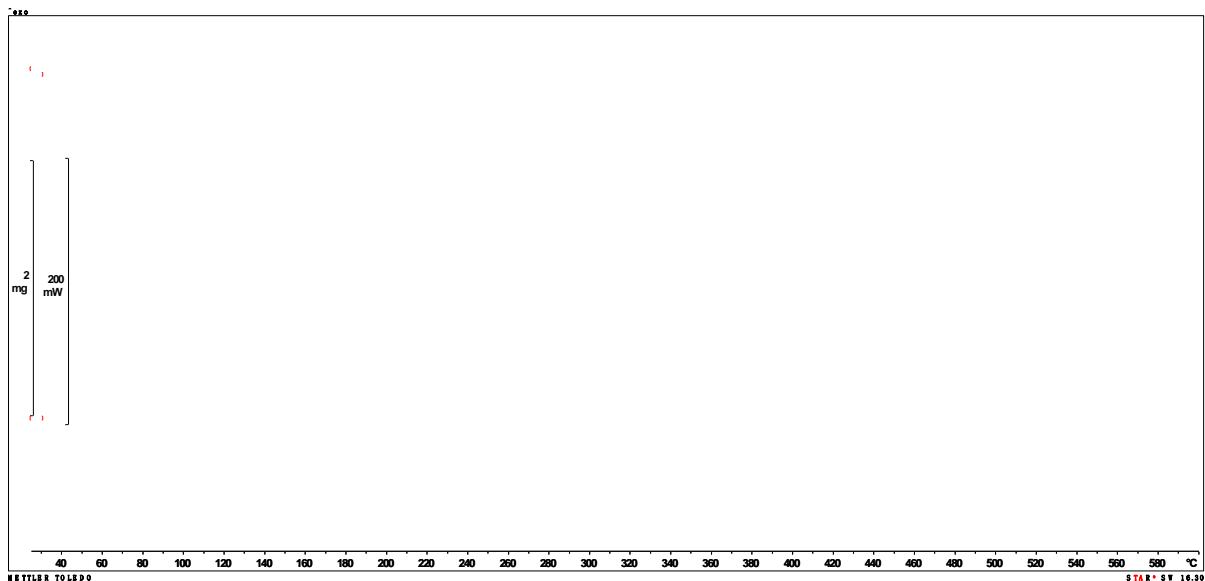


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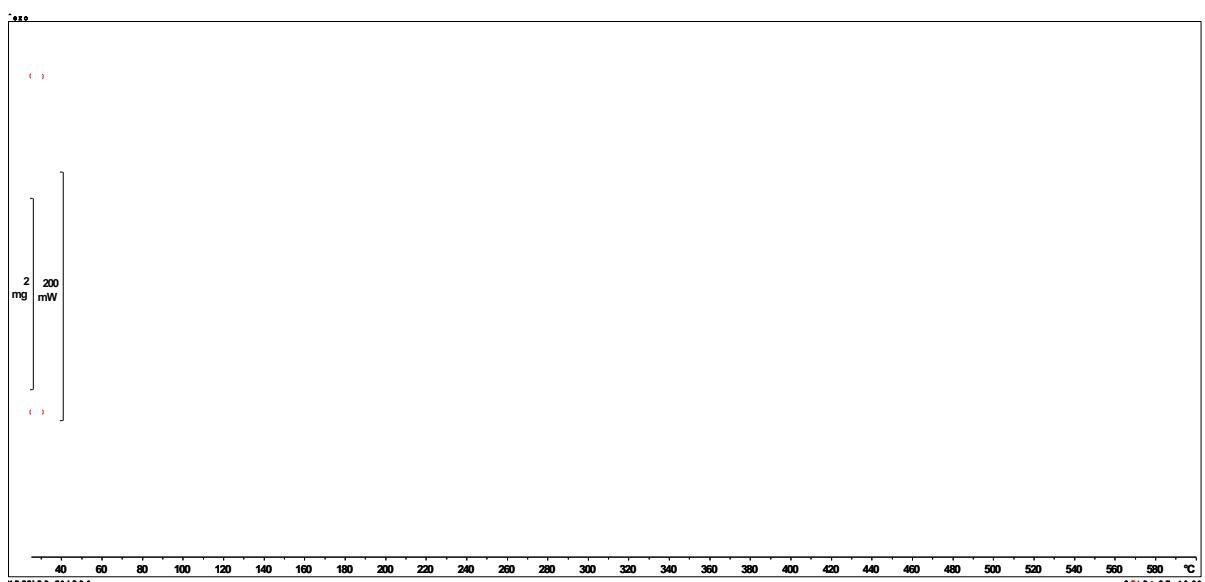


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Identifier	$[\text{MoO}_2(\text{L})(\text{MeOH})]$ ( <b>1</b> )	$[\text{MoO}_2(\text{L})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]$ ( <b>2</b> )	$[(\text{MoO}_2(\text{L}))_2(4,4\text{-bpy})]$ ( <b>3</b> )
Empirical formula	$\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{MoN}_3\text{O}_7$	$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{MoN}_3\text{O}_7$	$\text{C}_{38}\text{H}_{26}\text{Mo}_2\text{N}_8\text{O}_{12}$
$M_r$	443.22	429.20	978.55
$T/\text{K}$	170(2)	169.98(10)	169.99(10)
Crystal system	triclinic, yellow needle	monoclinic, yellow plate	monoclinic, yellow plate
Space group	$P\bar{1}$	$P\bar{1}2_1/c\bar{1}$	$P\bar{1}2_1/n\bar{1}$
$a/\text{\AA}$	7.9589(3)	10.8039(7)	13.1888(4)
$b/\text{\AA}$	9.5589(3)	10.7689(6)	10.5504(3)
$c/\text{\AA}$	10.5117(3)	13.5832(8)	14.1743(4)
$\alpha/^\circ$	83.639(2)	90	90
$\beta/^\circ$	88.860(3)	108.087(7)	106.292(3)
$\gamma/^\circ$	89.126(3)	90	90
$V/\text{\AA}^3$	794.56(4)	1502.26(17)	1893.11(10)
$Z$	2	4	2
$\rho_{\text{calc}}/\text{g cm}^{-3}$	1.853	1.898	1.717
$\mu/\text{mm}^{-1}$	7.200	7.592	6.092
$F(000)$	444	856	980
Crystal size/ $\text{mm}^3$	0.08×0.03×0.03	0.08×0.05×0.004	0.3×0.08×0.02
Radiation			$\text{Cu K}\alpha (\lambda = 1.54184\text{\AA})$
$2\Theta$ range/°	8.466 to 155.052	8.61 to 154.716	8.096 to 155.81
Index ranges	$-10 \leq h \leq 10$ , $-12 \leq k \leq 9$ , $-13 \leq l \leq 13$	$-13 \leq h \leq 12$ , $-13 \leq k \leq 13$ , $-16 \leq l \leq 15$	$-16 \leq h \leq 16$ , $-13 \leq k \leq 13$ , $-16 \leq l \leq 17$
Reflections collected	12446	10107	21369
Independent reflections	3268 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 3.58\%$ , $R_{\text{sigma}} = 4.08\%$ ]	3007 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 6.13\%$ , $R_{\text{sigma}} = 6.47\%$ ]	4006 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 6.9\%$ , $R_{\text{sigma}} = 10.16\%$ ]
Data/restraints/parameters	3268/-/239	3007/-/227	4006/-/271
$g_1, g_2$ in $w^a$	0.0579, 1.3589	0.0531, 46.7310	0.1059, 0
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$ , $S^b$	1.079	1.057	1.048
Final $R$ and $wR^c$ values [ $I \geq 2\sigma(I)$ ]	$R_1 = 3.62\%$ , $wR_2 = 9.81\%$	$R_1 = 8.67\%$ , $wR_2 = 21.35\%$	$R_1 = 5.19\%$ , $wR_2 = 14.31\%$
Final $R$ and $wR^c$ values [all data]	$R_1 = 3.86\%$ , $wR_2 = 9.98\%$	$R_1 = 11.31\%$ , $wR_2 = 22.69\%$	$R_1 = 5.71\%$ , $wR_2 = 15.02\%$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e $\text{\AA}^{-3}$	1.076/-1.187	3.097/-1.384	0.873/-1.330

<sup>a</sup> $w = I/[\sigma F_o^2 + (g_1 P)^2 + g_2 P]$  where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

<sup>b</sup> $S = \{\sum[w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)2]/(N_r - N_p)\}^{1/2}$  where  $N_r$  = number of independent reflections,  $N_p$  = number of refined parameters.

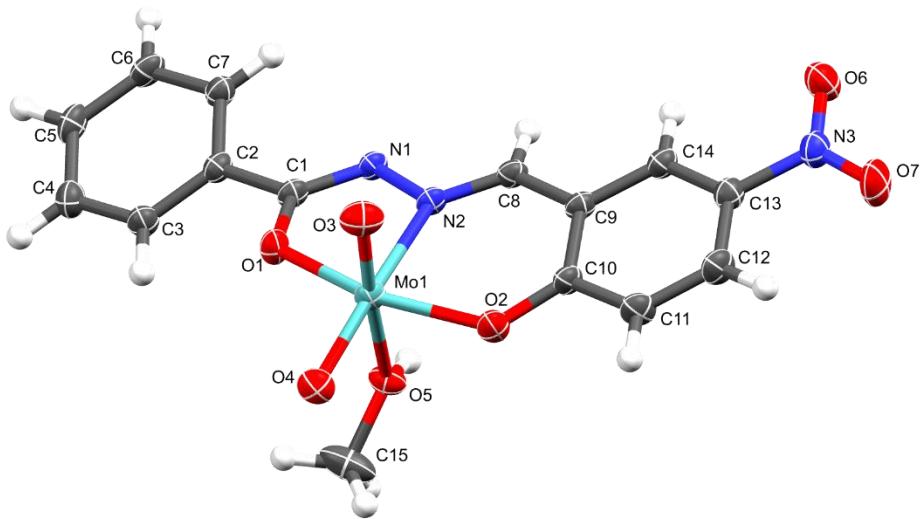
<sup>c</sup> $R = \Sigma||F_o| - |F_c||/\Sigma|F_o|$ ;  $wR = \{\sum[w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)2]/\sum[w(F_o^2)2]\}^{1/2}$

**Table S2.** Selected bond lengths in the crystal structures of  $[\text{MoO}_2(\text{L})(\text{MeOH})]$  (**1**),  $[\text{MoO}_2(\text{L})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]$  (**2**) and  $[(\text{MoO}_2(\text{L}))_2(4,4\text{-bpy})]$  (**3**).

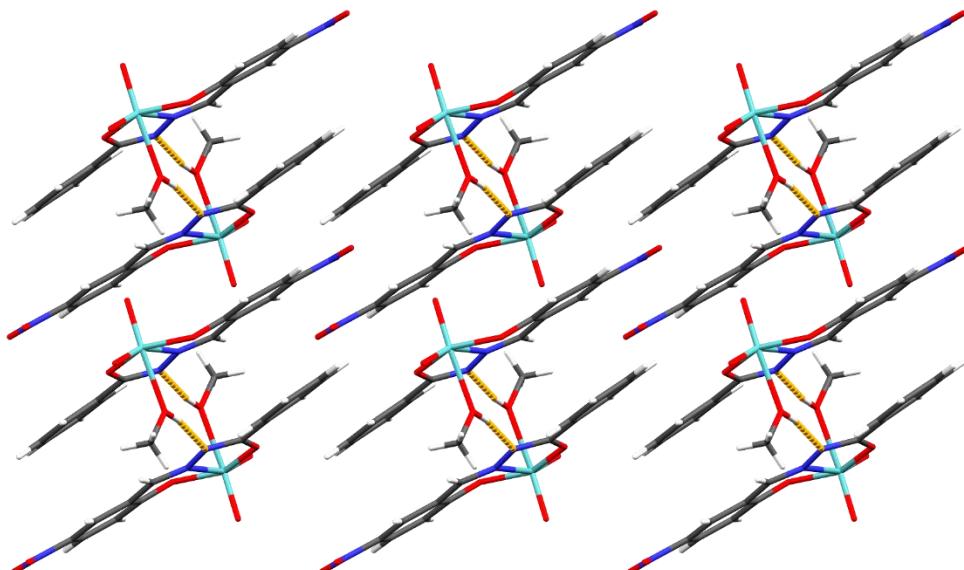
$[\text{MoO}_2(\text{L})(\text{MeOH})]$ ( <b>1</b> )					
Atoms	Bond length/ $\text{\AA}$	Atoms	Bond length/ $\text{\AA}$	Atoms	Bond length/ $\text{\AA}$
C2–C3	1.390(5)	C12–C13	1.392(5)	N1–N2	1.400(4)
C2–C7	1.396(4)	Mo1–N2	2.260(3)	O1–C1	1.312(4)
C3–C4	1.391(5)	Mo1–O1	2.007(2)	O2–C10	1.326(4)
C4–C5	1.385(5)	Mo1–O2	1.939(2)	O5–C15	1.423(6)
C9–C14	1.394(4)	Mo1–O3	1.696(3)	O6–N3	1.221(4)
C10–C11	1.409(5)	Mo1–O4	1.702(3)	O7–N3	1.223(4)
C11–C12	1.371(6)	Mo1–O5	2.309(2)		
$[\text{MoO}_2(\text{L})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]$ ( <b>2</b> )					
Atoms	Bond length/ $\text{\AA}$	Atoms	Bond length/ $\text{\AA}$	Atoms	Bond length/ $\text{\AA}$
C2–C7	1.382(17)	C13–C14	1.385(16)	N1–C1	1.271(16)
C3–C4	1.40(2)	Mo1–N2	2.234(10)	N1–N2	1.416(12)
C4–C5	1.37(2)	Mo1–O1	2.021(8)	O1–C1	1.316(14)
C5–C6	1.38(2)	Mo1–O2	1.940(10)	O2–C10	1.330(17)
C10–C11	1.411(17)	Mo1–O3	1.742(12)	O6–N3	1.233(14)
C11–C12	1.380(19)	Mo1–O4	1.690(11)	O7–N3	1.210(15)
C12–C13	1.375(17)	Mo1–O5	2.270(10)		
$[(\text{MoO}_2(\text{L}))_2(4,4\text{-bpy})]$ ( <b>3</b> )					
Atoms	Bond length/ $\text{\AA}$	Atoms	Bond length/ $\text{\AA}$	Atoms	Bond length/ $\text{\AA}$
C9–C10	1.414(5)	Mo1–N4	2.395(3)	N4–C15	1.343(5)
C9–C14	1.392(6)	Mo1–O1	1.995(2)	N4–C19	1.339(5)
C10–C11	1.396(6)	Mo1–O2	1.950(3)	O1–C1	1.330(4)
C11–C12	1.374(6)	Mo1–O3	1.703(3)	O2–C10	1.336(5)
C12–C13	1.388(6)	Mo1–O4	1.704(2)	O5–N3	1.229(5)
C13–C14	1.367(6)	N1–C1	1.288(5)	O6–N3	1.225(6)
C15–C16	1.385(6)	N1–N2	1.397(5)		
C16–C17	1.398(5)	N2–C8	1.297(5)		
Mo1–N2	2.250(3)	N3–C13	1.466(6)		

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$[\text{MoO}_2(\text{L})(\text{MeOH})]$ ( <b>1</b> )					
D–H···A	D–H	H···A	D···A	$\angle \text{D–H} \cdots \text{A}$	Symmetry code
O5–H5···N1	0.82(5)	1.97(5)	2.779(4)	171(5)	$1-x, 1-y, 2-z$
C8–H8···O3	0.95	2.52	3.170(4)	126	$-x, 1-y, 2-z$
$[\text{MoO}_2(\text{L})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]$ ( <b>2</b> )					
D–H···A	D–H	H···A	D···A	$\angle \text{D–H} \cdots \text{A}$	Symmetry code
O5–H5A···N1	0.88	2.15	2.904(14)	143	$1-x, 1-y, 1-z$
O5–H5B···O6	0.88	2.11	2.971(15)	168	$-1+x, 1/2-y, -1/2+z$
C4–H4···O4	0.95	2.36	3.208(18)	149	$-x, 1-y, 1-z$
C7–H7···O3	0.95	2.59	3.431(18)	148	$1-x, 1/2+y, 3/2-z$
C8–H8···O7	0.95	2.59	3.402(18)	144	$2-x, 1/2+y, 3/2-z$
C12–H12···O6	0.95	2.51	3.439(16)	167	$2-x, -1/2+y, 3/2-z$
C14–H14···O7	0.95	2.26	3.152(16)	157	$2-x, 1/2+y, 3/2-z$
$[(\text{MoO}_2(\text{L}))_2(4,4\text{-bpy})]$ ( <b>3</b> )					
D–H···A	D–H	H···A	D···A	$\angle \text{D–H} \cdots \text{A}$	Symmetry code
C8–H8···O3	0.95	2.53	3.159(5)	124	$1-x, 1-y, 1-z$
C12–H12···O5	0.95	2.30	3.171(5)	153	$3/2-x, 1/2+y, 1/2-z$
C14–H14···O3	0.95	2.55	3.245(5)	130	$1-x, 1-y, 1-z$

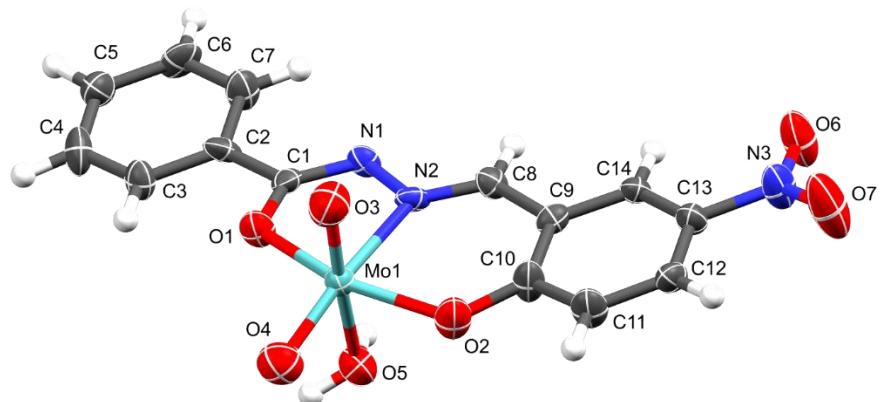


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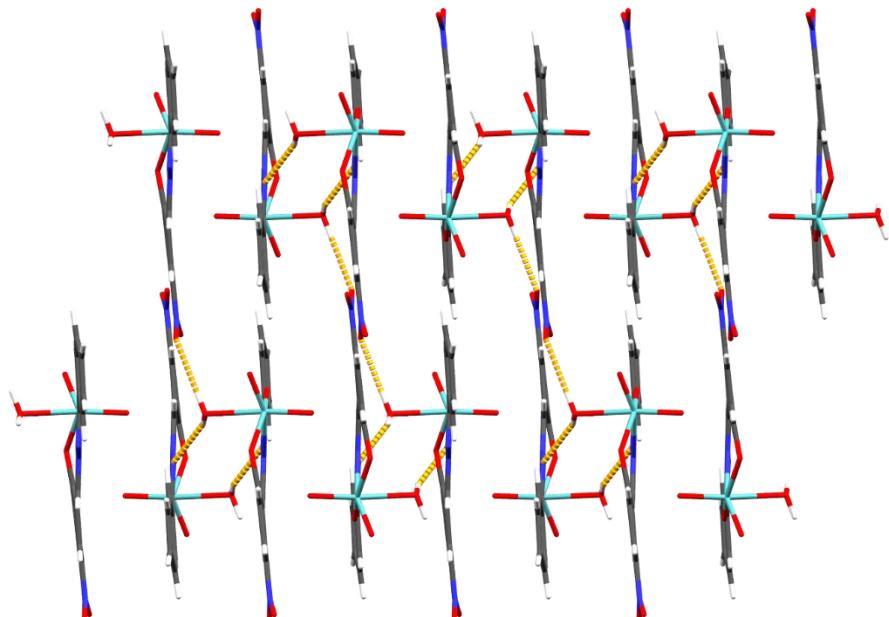


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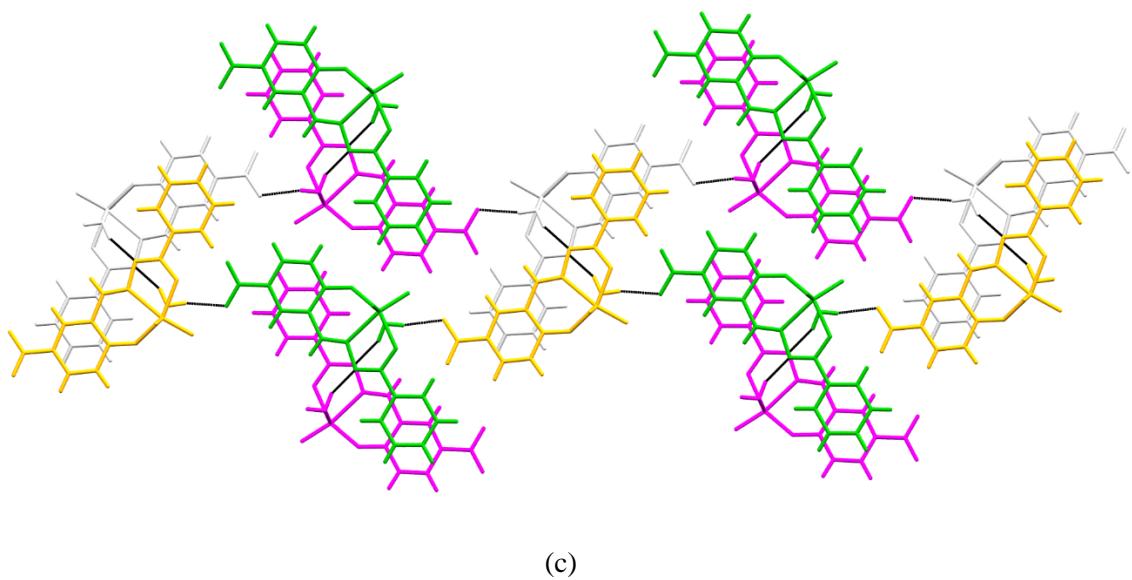
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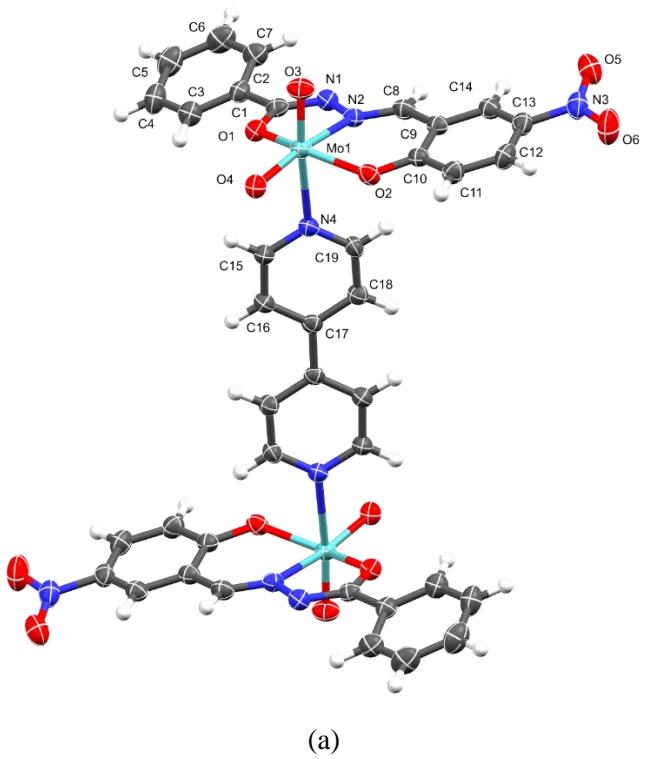


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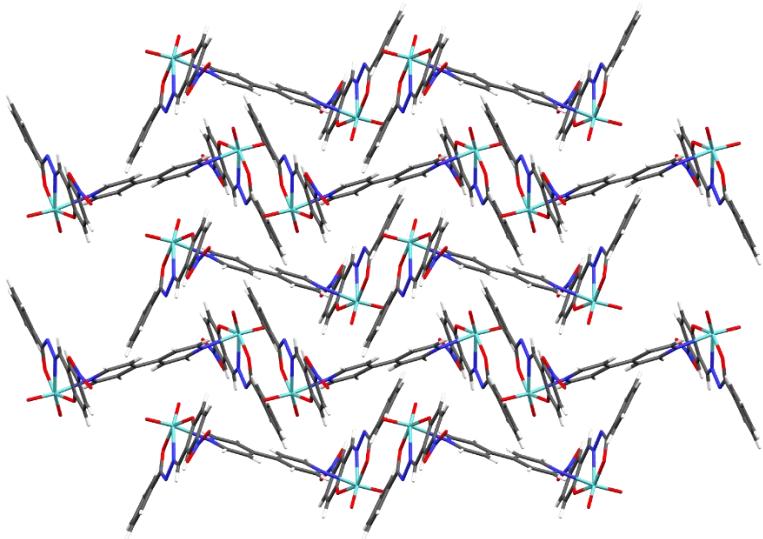


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